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1. Parachute jumps were made over the Stendal-Borstel (N 53/Y 75) airfield the morning of 16 July 1950. Four parachutists jumped in rapid succession from a twin-engine plane which was flying slowly. The plane then landed and picked up four other parachutists. The training lasted two and a half hours. Local residents said that this practice was done on other days when the weather was clear. A maximum of eight parachutists jumped at the same time. *
2. Four turbo-jet planes with swept-back wings flew over the airfield about noon on 22 July and at 10:30 a.m. on 23 July 1950, at an altitude of about 2,000 meters. The sky was clear. There was flying with individual two-seat ground attack aircraft and single-engine fighters with in-line engines during the afternoon of 22 July 1950. **
3. The field was occupied by an air force unit of 400 to 500 men.

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*** During observations made on different days, six two-seat ground attack planes were seen once in front of the three hangars. A radio truck with an antenna rod about 3 meters high was always parked in front of the hangars. 25X1

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* Comment. Similar parachute training at the airfields of Laerz and Staaken was reported in mid-June 1950. 25X1

A parachute unit is not believed to be stationed in Stendal.

** Comment. The report confirms the previously assumed occupation of the field. One ground attack regiment and elements of the air reconnaissance regiment previously stationed in Koethen have been in Stendal since early April

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1950. [redacted] From their description the fighters are Yaks. They are presumably assigned to the air reconnaissance unit. Source drew a sketch of the ground attack planes and they were identified as IL-10s. The jet planes are definitely not assigned to the air units stationed in Stendal.

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*** [redacted] Comment. The [redacted] belong to the ground attack regiment. 25X1

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